## Air Resources Board



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**TO:** All Interested Parties

TOPIC: PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL

AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATION GOVERNING THE STATEWIDE

PORTABLE EQUIPMENT REGISTRATION PROGRAM

Dear Sir/Madam:

The staff of the California Air Resources Board (ARB/Board) invites you to participate in a public consultation meeting to discuss and provide input on amendments to ARB's Statewide Portable Equipment Registration Regulation (PERP Regulation). The public consultation meeting will be held at the time and location shown below:

DATE: Tuesday, November 8, 2005

TIME: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Cal/EPA Headquarters Building

Training Room 1

1001 I Street, First Floor

Sacramento, California 95814

ARB is authorized by California Health and Safety Code sections 41750 through 41755 to adopt a regulation to establish a uniform statewide program for the registration and regulation of portable engines and portable engine-driven equipment units. In developing these regulations, ARB is required to evaluate emissions, identify emission control technologies, hold public hearings, establish emission limits and control requirements, and develop a fee schedule to cover the costs to adopt and administer the program, including the cost of the air pollution control districts' enforcement.

The Board approved amendments to the PERP Regulation at a public meeting on February 26, 2004. At that meeting, the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA) raised a number of concerns and the Board directed staff to continue to work with CAPCOA and affected industry to resolve these issues. CAPCOA, in consultation with a number of affected industries, has developed suggested amendments to the PERP Regulation. The suggested amendments include recommendations for district inspection fees, notification requirements, and recordkeeping and reporting requirements.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov">http://www.arb.ca.gov</a>.

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At the public consultation meeting, staff will provide background information about the current PERP Regulation, discuss the suggested amendments from CAPCOA, and solicit your comments.

Please check the program website <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/portable-engines">http://www.arb.ca.gov/portable-engines</a> for updates, including the meeting agenda, CAPCOA's suggested amendments, and other related documents. Notification of changes to this area of the website will be distributed via our electronic list serve. To subscribe, please enroll at:

<a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/listserv/peatcm.htm">http://www.arb.ca.gov/listserv/peatcm.htm</a>.

If you have special accommodation or language needs, please contact the meeting coordinator, Ms. Merrin Bueto, at (916) 327-5598 or via email at <a href="mbueto@arb.ca.gov">mbueto@arb.ca.gov</a> as soon as possible. TTY/TDD/Speech-to-Speech users may dial 7-1-1 for the California Relay Service.

If you have questions about the public consultation meeting or future activities, please contact the meeting coordinator listed above.

Sincerely,

/s/

Michael J. Tollstrup, Chief Project Assessment Branch

cc: Merrin Bueto

Regulatory Assistance Section